



Bilal Islam and Kayla Gray are U21 curlers from Catarqui Golf and Country Club. They are in their second season of playing mixed doubles together. Bilal and Kayla were one of six teams to qualify for the Ontario Winter Games in March 2018.

Bilal has curled competitively for seven seasons, achieving successes in boys, mixed and high school play. Kayla has curled competitively for seven seasons. She and her team represented Ontario at the U18 National Championships in 2017. Kayla and Bilal are currently preparing for their provincial qualifier with their doubles league play and practice.

Olivia Hope and Eilish Baker are part of Team Ramsay, a first year U18 girls' team with the other two members from Quinte Curling Club. As Team Ramsay, the girls have participated in a number of bonspiels and Ontario Junior Curling Tour events this season. Both are in their third season of curling at Garrison Golf & Curling Club. They have strived to improve their skills by attending a Talent Skills Development Camp as well as the Trillium Curling Camp. They also enjoy curling in the Garrison Ladies and Junior Leagues, as well as participating in GKC Junior Events.

Eilish also volunteers as a coach with the Special Olympics Curling Program and is representing her school at KASSAA. Olivia represented her high school as Skip at the 2019 Gore Schoolgirls Regionals and is also looking forward to participating in KASSAA in February.



Team Gazeley, consisting of Jett Gazeley, Kaamraan Islam, William Smith and Kibo Mulima, are U18 Curlers from Catarqui Golf and Country Club. This is their third season playing together. Team Gazeley plays in the open league at Catarqui, as well as the men's league at RKCC. They also participate in Junior Slam Series and Ontario Junior Curling Tour events throughout the season. The team is building for the U18 provincials in March. Individually, the boys have also had some successes. Jett skipped his elementary school team to the Ontario Championship banner. Kaamraan played vice on his high school team, which qualified for the semifinals at the Gore Provincials in 2017 and skipped his school team to the quarterfinals at OFSAA in 2018. Jett and Kaamraan have also enjoyed some success in mixed play. Kibo played vice on a high school team in 2018 when they were KASSAA champions.

Joel and Nate De Groote are curlers from Royal Kingston Curling Club. They are also members at Catarqui Golf and Country Club, where they play in the open league and practice with their high school teammates from LCVI. Joel has been a key member of his high school team since 2016, with Nate joining the team in 2017. The boys were a dynamic duo at front end when their team qualified for the semifinals at Gore provincials in 2017. In 2018, Joel played vice and Nate played second to help their team finish in the top eight at OFSAA. Joel, Nate and their LCVI teammates are preparing for the 2019 high school season competitions in February.

*Bilal, Kayla, Jett, Kaamraan, William, Kibo, Joel, Nate, Olivia and Eilish are very grateful that Greater Kingston Curling is helping to support their curling pursuits this season, and express their thanks to GKC for its support and encouragement.*